

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TAX POLICY

Thursday, May 10, 2007

3:05 P.M.

Room 519 House Office Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Sheltroun, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Pastor, Wenke, Calley. (14/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Melton, Steil, Palmer. (3/17)

Representative Young moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Chairman Bieda laid **SB 94**, **SB 95** and **SB 96** before the committee.

SB 94	Cassis	Income tax; other; state gross receipts tax; create.
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SB 95	Cassis	Single business tax; replacement; business income tax; create.
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SB 96	Cassis	Property tax; personal property; eligible personal property; exempt.
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Senator Nancy Cassis, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Howard Ryan, from the Michigan Senate Republican Policy office, testified before the committee in support of the package of bills.

Summer Minnick, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified before the committee in opposition to the package of bills.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified before the committee in opposition to the package of bills.

Scott Hummel, representing the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents, testified before the committee in support of **SB 94**.

Gary Wolfram, representing himself, testified before the committee on the package of bills.

Chuck Hadden, Representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, testified before the committee in opposition to the package of bills.

Gretchen Couraud, representing the Michigan Library Association, turned in a testimony card in opposition to the bills but did not wish to speak.

Tony Daunt, representing the Michigan Association of Realtors, turned in a testimony card in support of the bills but did not wish to speak.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, turned in a testimony card in opposition to the bills but did not wish to speak.

Marilyn Plummer, representing the Michigan Assessors Association, turned in a testimony card in opposition to the bills but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 4:35 p.m.

Representative Steve Bieda, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070